Sl.No.	*Name of the State/ Union Territories*	*Minimum Wages (w.e.f.)*	*Remarks*
1.	2.	3.	4.
12.	Tripura	RS. 17.80 per day (1.10.90)	
13.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Rs. 14.00 per day (22.10.89)	
14.	Lakshadweep	Rs. 18.00 per day (1.9.88)	Wages have fixed by an executive order.
15.	Pondicherry		
(i)	Pondicherry Region	Rs. 14.00 per day (15.12.89)	
(ii)	Mahe Region	Rs.12.00 per day for light work & Rs. 15.00 per day for hard work (18.2.87)	
(iii)	Yanam Region	Rs. 11.00 per day (15.3.88)	
(iv)	Karaikal Region	Rs. 14.00 per day or 7 litre of paddy plus 4.90 per day (31.1.90)	

Price of Newsprint

3544. SHRI LOKANATH CHOUDHURY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the newsprint prices have been increased recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial steps contemplated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P. J. DURIEN): (a) to (c). The indigenous newsprint mills have not increased the prices of newsprint after June, 1991.

[*Translation*]

Administrative System

3545. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA:
SHRI MUKUL BALKRISHNA WASNIK:
SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to restructure and reform the existing administrative system in the country;

(b) if so, the broad details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c). The scheme of a Responsive Administration as outlined by Shri Rajiv Ghandi, the then Prime Minister in his broadcast to the nation on 5th January, 1985 envisages

(i) simplification of procedure,

(ii) delegation of authority,

(iii) enforcement of accountability,

(iv) a monitoring system from the block to the national levels; and

(v) prompt and sympathetic public grievance redress. These have been included as Point No. 20 of the Twenty Point Programme for the implementation of which steps are being taken, and are periodically reviewed and evaluated. This programme still remains valid and the administrative system implicit in it still holds good.

However, in view of Government's policy of liberalisation, further administrative measures which are subject, organisation and context specific are being taken by concerned ministries and departments.

[*English*]

Discussion with American Trade

3546. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mr. Carla Hills, the American Trade Representative held any discussions with the Union Government in view of the liberalised industrial policy;

(b) if so, nature of discussions; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). Mr. Carla Hills, United State Trade Representative (USTR), visited India from 4th th 8th October, 1991. She held discussions on issues relating to the Uruguay Round of Multilateral trade negotiations including intellectual property rights and the economic reforms underway in India. During the discussions she was apprised of India's position on these issues.

Regularisation of Slum Colonees

3548. SHRI SWAMI SURESHANAND: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of slums colonies regularised by the Government during the year 1991-92;

(b) the estimated persons benefited from this decision of the Government; and

(c) the details of the facilities provided so far in these colonies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No slum colony was regularised during the year 1991-92.

(b) and (c). Do not arise in view of (a) above.